GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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INTERVIEW FOR ALLOTMENT RETAIL PETROL OUTLETS AND LPG DISTRIBUTORSHIPS
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a): whether the Government have finished the oral interview for the allotment of retail petrol outlets and LPG distributorship;

(b): if so, the details thereof;

(c): whether the Oil Coordination Committee`s decision is the final in fixing up of thelocation for the Retail Outlets and LPG distributorship;

(d): if so, the details of such petrol retail outlets and LPG Distribution outlets already inexistence and proposed to be started very soon in Tamil Nadu and Karnataka;

(e): whether the Government have received any requests from the owners and dealers of the already existing retail outlets and LPG Distributors to minimize the number of such new outlets and distributorship; and

(f): if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) to (d): As on 1.10.2000, 1612 retail outlets and 467 LPG distributorships in the State of Tamil Nadu and 1073 retail outlets and 375 LPG distributorships in the State of Karnatakawere in operation. The locations for setting up retail outlet dealerships and LPG distributorships are included in the Marketing Plans on the basis of feasibility surveys conducted by the oil marketing companies periodically. The Marketing Plans are prepared by the Oil Companies and finalised with the approval of the Government.

In order to meet the increased demand, in addition to the locations pending from the previous marketing plans, 59 retail outlets and 155 LPG distributorships for the State of TamilNadu and 49 retail outlets and 112 LPG distributorships for the State of Karnataka have been included in the Marketing Plan 1996-98. More dealerships/distributorships will be set up on the basis of feasibility surveys. The locations included in the Marketing Plans are advertised by the Oil Companies, and the selection of dealers/ distributors is made by the Dealer Selection Boards as per prescribed procedure.It generally takes 6-12 months for commissioning the distributorships after the date of interview.

(e) to (f): Such requests are received from time to time and appropriate action is taken in the matter.